Election to student unions

*32. SHRI KAMAL AKHTAR: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) the details of Central Universities where elections to student unions have been conducted from January, 2007, till date, university-wise;

(b) the details of Central Universities where student unions are functioning at present and where the same have been dissolved, university-wise, from January, 2007 till date;

(c) the reasons for dissolution of the unions, university-wise;

(d) when elections to the student unions in the Jamia Millia Islamia, Banaras Hindu University and Aligarh Muslim University were conducted last;

(e) whether Government would conduct elections in the Central Universities, particularly in the above three universities in this session;

(f) if so, the details thereof; and

(g) if not, the reasons therefor, university-wise?

THE MINISTER OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI ARJUN SINGH): (a) to (c) Based on the information obtained from the Central Universities, requisite details, University-wise, are given in the Statement (*See* below).

(d) to (g) Elections to the student unions in Jamia Millia Islamia, Banaras Hindu University and Aligarh Muslim University were last conducted in December, 2005, January, 1996 and September, 2006 respectively. Elections to the student unions in Central Universities are facilitated by the respective Universities in keeping with the provisions, if any, in their Acts, Statutes and Ordinances and in compliance with the 'Lyngdoh Committee' Report as per orders of the Supreme Court.

Statement

Details of election to Student Unions conducted in Central Universities from January, 2007, till date

Sl. No.	Central University	Whether held	When Held	Whether Functional	Whether Dissolved	Remarks
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
1.	University of Delhi	Yes	October, 2007 and September, 2008	Yes	N.A.	Elections held annually
2.	Jawaharlal Nehru University	Yes	September, 2007 and scheduled in November, 2008	Yes	N.A.	Elections held annually

1	2	3	4	5	6	7
3.	Jamia Millia Islamia, New Delhi	No	N.A.	N.A.	N.A.	Elections could not be held on account of the fragile peace prevailing in the campus.
4.	Babasaheb Bhimrao Ambedkar University, Lucknow	No	N.A.	N.A.	N.A.	Students Council as enshrined in the University Statutes yet to be constituted
5.	English and Foreign Languages University, Hyderabad	No	N.A.	N.A.	N.A.	Students Council as enshrined in the University Statutes is under constitution.
6.	University of Hyderabad	Yes	October, 2007 and October, 2008 (under process)	No	Yes (on 15.10.2008)	New elected body would assume the office within ten days from the date of dissolution.
7.	Nagaland University, Kohima	Yes	October, 2007 and October, 2008	Yes	N.A.	
8.	Assam University, Silchar	No	N.A.	N.A.	N.A.	Students Council as enshrined in the University Statutes constituted in April, 2008
9.	Visva Bharati, Santiniketan	Yes	July, 2007	No	No	Election process under dispute and sub-judice and hence no election could be held in 2008
10.	North Eastern Hill University, Shillong	Yes	October, 2007 and scheduled in November, 2008	Yes	N.A.	
11.	Manipur University, Imphal	Yes	June, 2007 and May, 2008	Yes	N.A.	
12.	Sikkim University, Gangtok	No	N.A.	N.A.	N.A.	The University has started its activities only from this month.

1	2	3	4	5	6	7
13.	Indira Gandhi National Open University, New Delhi	No	N.A.	No	N.A.	Open and Distance format
14.	Maulana Azad National Urdu University, Hyderabad	No	N.A.	N.A.	N.A.	Not yet provided in Statutes/Ordinances.
15.	Mizoram University, Imphal	Yes	October, 2007 and September, 2008	Yes	N.A.	
16.	Tripura University, Agartala.	No	N.A.	N.A.	N.A.	Students Council as enshrined in the University Statutes yet to be constituted
17.	Rajiv Gandhi University Itanagar	Yes	September, 2007 and September, 2008	Yes	N.A.	
18.	University of Allahabad	No	N.A.	N.A.	N.A.	The first Ordinances framed by the University envisaged laying down norms for constitution of the general association or representative council by the Academic Council, by Regulations. While according approval to the relevant Ordinance, the Central Government stipulated that the Regulations to be made would be in consonance with the Lyngdoh Committee's recommendations

1	2	3	4	5	6	7
19.	Banaras Hindu University, Varanasi	No	N.A.	N.A.	N.A.	Students' Council constituted in terms of Supreme Court's orders functioning since 2007-08
20.	Mahatma Gandhi Antarrashtriya Hindi Vishwavidyalaya, Wardha	No.	N.A.	N.A.	N.A.	Not yet provided in Statutes/Ordinances
21.	Pondicherry University, Pondicherry	No	N.A.	No	N.A.	A nominated Students' Council constituted in terms of Statute 40 is functional.
22.	Tezpur University, Tezpur	No	NA	No	NA	A Students' Council constituted in terms of Statute 39 is functional.
23.	Aligarh Muslim University, Aligarh	No	N.A.	No	N.A.	Student Union elected in September, 2006 was dissolved in September, 2007 following murder of a student and the consequent disturbances.
24.	Indira Gandhi National Tribal University, Amarkantak	No	N.A.	N.A.	N.A.	Yet to start its academic activities

Foreign university centres

*33. SHRI KANJIBHAI PATEL: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that a number of foreign Universities intend to establish centres in the country for graduate/post-graduate courses and research activities;

(b) if so, whether there is any proposal to make new regulations to allow these universities to establish their centres in the country; and

(c) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF HUMAM RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI ARJUN SINGH): (a) Yes, Sir. Some foreign universities have shown their interest in opening their campuses in India.